

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
BOARD MEETING
July 30, 2009**

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER –

Board President, Dr. William H. Green, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Roll call was taken by Board Vice-President, Dr. John C. Prejean, with the following results:

Those present:

William H. Green, DVM	Board President
John C. Prejean, DVM	Board Vice President
Gary T. Levy, DVM	Board Member
Mica F. Landry, DVM	Board Member
Michael Tomino, Jr.	Board General Counsel
Wendy D. Parrish	Board Executive Director

Those absent:

Steven V. Slaton, DVM	Board Secretary-Treasurer
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Guests:

(10:30 appearance) Marianne Kerr of Animal Angels, Hanna Clark, Paula S. Alesi, and Shelly Broussard of Wildcat Foundation, Diana Morales, CAET, Sarah Skoglund, Sheri Everett, Shelly Liles Fontenot, DVM, Kaysie Clostig

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Meeting June 4, 2009

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 4, 2009 Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Levy to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTRACTS

A. Financial Reports – May and June 2009

Ms. Parrish presented the financial reports for the months of May and June 2009 for review. Motion was made by Dr. Levy to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Contract Renewal FY2010 – Investigations Unlimited – Ms. Parrish presented the proposed contract with Corporate Security Consultants d/b/a Investigations Unlimited for investigation services for review. No changes were noted from the previous fiscal year contract with a ceiling of \$5,000.00 per year. Motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy to approve renewal of the contract. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

A. Case 10-0716D (9:00am) Proposed Agreement – Motion was made by Dr. Landry to go into executive session to discuss the character and professional reputation issues of the licensee, seconded by Dr. Levy, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Dr. Landry was introduced as presiding officer for the proceeding. Dr. Green was recused as investigating Board member in the case. The respondent waived appearance at the hearing. Mr. Tomino presented the facts of the case, submitted exhibits for review, and a proposed Consent Order for consideration by the Board. Upon conclusion of the presentations and questions, the executive session was closed to all and only those Board members on the panel were present.

Motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Prejean to accept the Agreement as presented for this case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Motion was made by Dr. Levy to return to open session, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was reopened to the public.

VI. GENERAL BUSINESS APPEARANCES

A. Animal Angels, Lake Charles, La (Marianne Kerr); Wildcat Foundation, Lafayette, LA (Shelly Broussard) – (10:30am) Ms. Clark, Alesi, Morales, Broussard, Skoglund, Everett, Kerr, Clostig and Dr. Fontenot were introduced to the Board members, legal counsel and Ms. Parrish. Guests shared information as to the facilities and organization of Animal Angels in Lake Charles, and Wildcat Foundation in Lafayette. Questions and discussion were entertained. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the guests left the meeting.

No action was taken on this matter.

B. Dag's House – (1:30pm) Appearance cancelled due to change in legal counsel, to be rescheduled for future Board meeting date.

VII. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES

A. Policy and Procedure – None at this time.

B. Practice Act and Rules/Related Matters/Declaratory Statements

1. Continuing Education Rules Review for DVM, RVT, CAET – An update was given of the proposed rules for continuing education credits for DVMs, RVTs and CAETs and related issues, published in the May 20, 2009 *Louisiana Register*, as well as written comment received.

Following review and discussion, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy, to move the effective date of the proposed changes to renewal year 2011-2012 (July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011), delete the stipulations for Board Specialist as presenters for in-house continuing education presentations, and begin full rule promulgation due to substantive changes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. Rule Making – None at this time.

VIII. DVM ISSUES

A. Frank Klimitas, DVM– Request for Active Status (Reverse Inactive-Retired) – Following review of request for license status change, Mr. Tomino was directed to research statutes and rules regarding reinstatement from inactive retirement status. The

licensee is to be notified that the matter is to be deferred to the October 1, 2009 Board meeting for consideration due to pending research.

B. Benjamin D. Miller, Jr., DVM – Request for Status Change – Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Miller, motion was made by Dr. Prejean, seconded by Dr. Levy, to approve status of **Inactive Retired**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. Curt Degeyter., DVM – Request for Waiver of Fees (Military) and CE Approval – Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Degeyter, motion was made by Dr. Prejean, seconded by Dr. Levy, to approve waiver of renewal fees, and acceptance of Veterinary Service Operations class (Reserve Component) as continuing education credits upon receipt of formal documentation of military orders for active duty. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D Peter J. Muller, DVM - Request for Waiver of Fees and CE – Following review of request and documents presented for waiver of fees and CE by Dr. Muller, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy, to deny waiver of fees and CE. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IX. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES

A. Dena Lynn Lodato, DVM – Request for Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement – 2008 graduate of Mississippi State University, licensed in Mississippi. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Lodato, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean to approve waiver of preceptorship requirement as she meets the criteria for waiver due to full time veterinary employment of not less than 90 days immediately prior to application and valid veterinary medical licensure in another state. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Michael D. Hutchison, DVM – Request for Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement – 1993 graduate of Colorado State University, previously licensed in Arizona. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Hutchison, motion was made by Dr. Prejean, seconded by Dr. Levy to approve waiver of retake of the national examination and waiver of preceptorship requirement as the documents meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for five years immediately prior to application and valid veterinary medical licensure in another state. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. April D. Brown, DVM – Request for Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement – 2002 graduate of LSU-SVM, previously licensed in Florida, New York and California. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Brown, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean to approve waiver of retake of the national examination and waiver of preceptorship requirement as the documents meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for five years immediately prior to application and valid veterinary medical licensure in another state. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

X. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES

A. DVM CE – North East Association of Equine Practitioners Annual Symposium (J Sones, DVM) - Request for consideration of 48 credit hours of DVM CE for participation in the annual symposium. Following review of the request and program outlines and presenters, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow up to 48 hours credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM for actual attendance by the participants. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. DVM CE – On Call Solutions, LLC/Add Value to Your Practice, Increase Profits (K Cataldo, DVM) - Request for consideration of 2 credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request, program outline and presenters, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow 2 hours credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM for actual attendance by the participants. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

C. DVM CE – Southwest Veterinary Leadership Conference (LVMA) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the documents, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Landry, to allow 9.5 hours credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM for actual attendance by the participants. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. DVM CE – Gotta Go, Gotta Go/LA Veterinary Referral Center (D Mauterer, DVM) - Request for consideration of 1 credit hour of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Landry, to allow 1 hours credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM for actual attendance by the participants. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. DVM CE – Hambletonian CE Seminar for Equine Veterinarians (J Sones, DVM) – Request for consideration of up to 28 credit hours of DVM CE for participation in the seminar. Following review of the request and program outline and presenters, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow up to 28 credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

F. DVM CE – LSU-SVM Weekly Round Review by Resident Specialists - Request for consideration of 1 credit hour of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request, program outline and presenters submitted, motion was made by Dr. Landry seconded by Dr. Levy, to allow 1 credit hour of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM for each weekly round review. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

G. DVM CE – Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee/IACUC 101/201 (R broussard, DVM) – Request for consideration of up to 16 credit hours of DVM CE for participation in the course. Following review of the request, the program outline and presenters, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow up to 16 credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

H. DVM CE – VetMed Consulting.com (M L Khare', DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of

the request submitted by Dr. Khare', motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Landry, to deny credit hours based on concern regarding the presentation of legal advice by laypersons not licensed to practice law in Louisiana. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

I. DVM CE – Webinar (Interactive Video Presentations); Council on Accreditation of Association for Assessment & Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (W King, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request submitted by Dr. King, and review of current statute and rules, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Landry, to deny credit hours due to a lack of third party grading of online format, and board membership of accreditation association not considered continuing education. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

J. DVM CE – Current Therapies in Chronic Kidney Disease/Vetoquinol (2 presentations) (J Maginnis, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request submitted by Dr. Maginnis, and review of current statute and rules, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Landry, to allow up to 1.5 credit hours for annual license renewal of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

K. DVM CE – Small Animal Ultrasound Diagnostics/Universal Seminars (A Bauer, DVM) - Request for consideration of 15 credit hours of DVM CE for annual license renewal. Following review of the request submitted by Dr. Bauer, and review of current statute and rules, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy, to deny credit hours due to a lack of timely submission for pre-approval. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

L. CAET CE – Updates in Anesthesia; Livestock Handling & Capture Techniques/Small Animal Restraint for IV Injection; Approved Euthanasia Drugs & Techniques (C Cooper,DVM) - Request for consideration of 6 credit hours of CAET CE for participation in presentations by Dr. Cooper. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Prejean seconded by Dr. Levy, to allow a maximum of 6 credit hours for annual license renewal of CAET CE for actual attendance by the CAET. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

A. New Licenses and Certificates Issued:

Wall certificates were presented for signature for the following licenses/certificates issued since the previous Board meeting:

DVM

2825	William Oran Ratterree
2826	Timothy James Grande
2827	Gregory Richard Schmidt
2828	Sherri Lynn Andrews
2829	Robert Louis Braquet
2830	Lauren Elisabeth Tucker-Taylor
2831	Cristin McCamish

2832	Preston Hickman
2833	Michael Muir Bradburn
2834	Lea Cosgrove Disston
2835	Marc Darrell Bordelon
2836	Emelie Schlatre McLellan
2837	Jennifer Rai Ghere
2838	Katherine McCloy Breed
2839	Kristina Elizabeth Perkins
2840	Cynthia Marie Estrade
2841	Kevin Gerard Showalter
2842	Kevin Dale Abbott

CAET

T0903	Ronald Lee Miles
T0904	Alison Hebert Migiacio
T0905	Tamra Marie Dardenne

B. Election of Officers – Nominations were taken as follows: William H. Green, DVM, Board President; John C. Prejean, DVM, Board Vice-President; Gary Levy, DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer. Motion was made by Dr. Landry to close nominations, seconded by Dr. Prejean and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Election of officers was held. Motion was made by Dr. Landry to install Dr. William H. Green as Board President, Dr. John C. Prejean as Board Vice-President, and Dr. Gary Levy as Board Secretary-Treasurer for fiscal year 2010, seconded by Dr. Prejean and passed unanimously by voice vote, effective August 1, 2009.

C. Authorization to Sign Checks (President, Secretary-Treasurer, Administrative Director) – Motion was made by Dr. Landry to afford Dr. William H. Green, Board President-elect, all the powers associated with the office of the President of the Board including the power to execute contracts and other documents and to conduct business on behalf of the Board effective August 1, 2009, seconded by Dr. Prejean and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Authorization to sign checks drawn on the Board's account was given to Dr. Green, Board President-elect, Dr. Levy, Board Secretary-Treasurer-elect, and Ms. Parrish, Executive Director, effective August 1, 2009.

D. Review of Board Member Positions – The list of primary duties of each Board position was presented for review. No changes were made.

E. Computer Hardware Update – Ms. Parrish updated the board members on current status of the computer system. In light of five years of service with existing hardware, a bid from the state's approved vendor to replace the hard drives only for three desk-top units was reviewed. Ms. Parrish noted there was a possibility of replacing the hard drives for a nominal fee with excess units obtained following Hurricane Gustav through DHH. Motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy, to replace the units as needed per state purchasing protocol should the excess units not be available. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

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F. August Newsletter – Motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to defer newsletter publication until October or December 2009. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Dr. Levy to go into executive session to discuss issues and receive legal advice regarding potential contested matters and personnel matters, seconded by Dr. Prejean,, and passed unanimously by voice vote. Upon conclusion of discussion of the issues, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Levy, and approved unanimously by voice vote.

A. Administrative Assistant Pending Vacancy – Ms. Parrish informed the board members of the resignation of current administrative assistant, Tracy Landry, effective August 7, 2009. Ms. Parrish is to proceed with interviews to fill the vacancy immediately. No action was taken on this item.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Levy, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

MINUTES REIVEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD on October 1, 2009.

Gary Levy, DVM, Board Secretary -Treasurer